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SUBJ: TRADE OPPORTUNITY: SUPPLY OF EQUIPMENT TO AFGHAN
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS BY TINIUS OLSEN TESTING MACHINE CO.

REF: KABUL 4500

1. YOUR NOTE OF JUNE 20, WITH JUNE 16 LETTER FROM
TINIUS OLSEN ATTACHED, EVIDENTLY CROSSED REFTEL IN
TRANSMISSION. BELIEVE REFTEL WILL BE USEFUL IN RESPONDING
TO OLSEN'S QUESTIONS BUT MAY NOT ANSWER ALL.

2. THERE IS, OF COURSE, AIRFREIGHT SERVICE INTO KABUL ON
BOTH ARIANA AFGHAN AIRLINES AND IRAN AIR. TRANS-MEDITERRANEAN
AIRLINES (TMA), FORMERLY CARRYING A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF
THE TRADE, HAS SUSPENDED SERVICES (BECAUSE OF DISRUPTIONS
CAUSED BY THE LEBANESE CIVIL WAR), BUT THE OTHER TWO AIRLINES
ARE DOING A BRISK BUSINESS. ARIANA INTERFACES WITH OTHER
CARRIERS PRINCIPALLY IN LONDON AND FRANKFURT.

3. HOWEVER, MIN PUBLIC WORKS DOES NOT, REPEAT NOT, WISH TO
USE AIRFREIGHT IN THIS CASE (SEE REFTEL). THEY REQUEST,
INSTEAD, OCEAN SHIPMENT TO KARACHI. FROM THERE, THE SHIPMENT
WOULD GO BY PAKISTAN RAILWAYS TO PESHAWAR AND THEN BY TRUCK
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TO KABUL. RATES FOR THE SURFACE SEGMENTS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE
FROM SHIPPERS IN THE U.S. WE UNDERSTAND CURRENT RATES FOR
TYPE AND SIZE OF OCEAN SHIPMENT WOULD RUN PAK RS. 670 PER MT
KARACHI-PESHAWAR AND PAK RS. 140 PER MT PESHAWAR-KABUL.

4. HOPE THIS WILL ASSIST.
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